



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, SACRAMENTO
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Regulatory Branch (200450025)



Phyllis Johnson-Ball
Surface Transportation Board
Section of Environmental Analysis
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, District of Columbia 20423-0001

Dear Ms. Johnson-Ball:

This letter is in reference to the proposed Central Utah Rail Project that extends from Juab to Salina, Utah. Specifically, the rail line has been proposed by the Six County Association of Government for implementation in Sanpete County.

At this time, we believe that the rail line will likely require authorization under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for impacts to waters of the U.S., including wetlands. We are aware that HDR Engineering will be developing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for purposes of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). In order to facilitate both the Clean Water Act and NEPA process as it relates to water resources, this office formally requests that it be a cooperating agency to the EIS for this project.

Please refer to identification number 200450025 in any future correspondence concerning this project. If you have any questions, please write to Ms. Amy Defreese at the Utah Regulatory Office, 533 West 2600 South, Suite 150, Bountiful, Utah 84010, email Amy.Defreese@usace.army.mil, or telephone 801-295-8380, extension 13.

Sincerely,

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